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This spring we have made plans to have the best line we have ever shown. New styles are beginning to come in so we will have something new nearly every day. Be sure to see our line before buying.

ONE LOT SILK WAISTS of good weight taffeta, in red, brown, green, blue, and black, plain colors and changeable, clusters of tucks in back and front, leg of mutton sleeve, tucked at cuff, very neat, \$5.00

ONE LOT SUITS of novelty mixture in brown, blue, and gray. Jacket has blouse front, flat collar with braid, plaited front and back, satin lined, large sleeves, tucked cuff, plaited skirt, \$12.50

ONE LOT SUITS of herring bone weave, all wool goods in plain colors, brown, blue, and black; jacket has strap front and back of goods forming yoke, corded flat collar with silk braid and buttons, leg-of-mutton sleeve, satin lined, full skirt, plaited, very neat, \$18.00

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In Newry, Mr. Stanley Harte and Lois Coffin.
In Bryant Pond, March 4, Edward R. Stanley of Bethel and Miss Essie M. Bowker of Bryant Pond.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Williams*

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mrs. Ella Carter is confined to her home by illness.

Geo. E. Chapman of South Paris, was in town last week.

The Academy closed, last Friday, for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. A. F. Copeland is on a business trip in Aroostook county.

Mr. J. U. Purington went to Norway on business, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. I. H. Wight and daughter Vivian spent Sunday in Gorham, N. H.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Gilman Bean Thursday afternoon.

Miss Ella Chandler of Norway, visited friends in this village over Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Lord of Berlin, N. H., and sister visited their sister, Mrs. Osmar Cole, last week.

D. H. Mason came down from Randolph, N. H., last week, and returned to his work Monday.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. Gehring Friday afternoon at three o'clock. Subject, Raphael.

Mrs. J. U. Purington started for Andover, Mass., this morning, to visit her daughter and little grandson.

Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bartlett went to Grafton to attend the funeral of Mr. Bartlett's aunt, Mrs. Brooks.

Mr. Edward W. Hutchins came home from Wildwood, N. H., last week, where he has been engaged in lumbering.

Mr. Gilman Chapman went to Berlin, N. H., Tuesday afternoon, where he has employment in the office of the Berlin Mills Co.

Tickets for the concert Saturday evening, Mar. 11, went on sale at G. R. Wiley's this afternoon; the price of reserved seats is 35 cents, general admission 25 cents.

Mrs. Eben Richardson left Bethel last Saturday for Abington, Mass., where she will visit relatives and friends for a few weeks. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Ethel who will spend her vacation in Abington.

Edward Russell Stanley of Bethel, and Miss Esther Maud Bowker of Bryant Pond, were married at the home of the bride, last Wednesday. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley will make their new home on Chapman street. They have the good wishes of a host of friends.

The trustees of the Bethel Library association wish to thank all who so kindly and willingly helped about the dinner at Odeon Hall March 6. It proved a success, and we cleared \$20.55. It is a pleasure to know that people take an interest in the welfare of the library.

H. A. Edwards of Caribou, is reported to have sold his entire business interest in Aroostook county. Mr. Edwards has amassed a very considerable fortune during the ten or a dozen years he has been in the north country and will retire from active business for the present.

Miss Edith Farwell has so far recovered from her late illness as to dispense with the services of her trained nurse, Miss Harger, who has been with her three weeks, but who returned to her home in Portland, last Saturday. The latter has very warm friends in Bethel who will miss her cheery smile and pleasant companionship.

We hope that a full chorus will be present at the Bethel Chorus rehearsal this Wednesday evening in preparation for the concert Saturday evening. Prof. Chapman desires a meeting with the Chorus Saturday afternoon in Odeon Hall, and it will be well worth the sacrifice necessary in order to be present. The Wednesday evening rehearsal will be at Garland chapel.

Mrs. Marion Dudley is visiting in Worcester, Mass.

Miss Bessie Kenney has returned to clerk for Miss Lillian Stearns.

C. B. Erskine is spending his vacation at his home in East Jefferson.

W. W. Virgin of Rumford Falls, visited friends in town Friday and Saturday.

Those who bought food at Odeon Hall, Monday, are requested to return the dishes to the library.

Mrs. Eli Stearns and Miss Ruby Perkins went to Newry, Sunday, to visit Mrs. Walter Foster who is ill.

The attention of our readers is called to the sale notice of the Ryerson estate as advertised in another column.

Thomas LaRue, E. H. Young's able assistant, is in Dr. King's hospital, Portland, for a couple of weeks, where he will receive medical treatment.

Miss Ethel Randall went to Lewiston Saturday, and her sister Eva who has been in the hospital several weeks returned with her. Her many friends hope to hear of a rapid improvement in health.

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Prize Speaking.

The Gould's Academy annual prize speaking exhibition occurred in Odeon Hall Friday evening and was witnessed and enjoyed by a large audience.

This event has become one to which our people look forward with much interest, all having come to realize that it is an important feature of the school work. Not that it furnishes an annual entertainment for the people but that the elocutionary drill which the students are receiving in their course is of incalculable value to them.

The speaking was of the usual high order and showed much care and effort in the preparation. All did well but it remained for the judges to decide which two did the best.

After several minutes of deliberation and comparison of ranking, they announced that the prizes had been won by Mr. John Carter for the young men and Miss Edith Cross for the young ladies. No second prizes were offered this year.

The speakers were marshalled in by Mr. Frank King. The school orchestra, which never fails to please added not a bit to the program and helped shorten the time required by the judges to arrive at their decision, by rendering several selections.

Too Good to Keep.

The following is a copy, minus the names, of a document which was exhibited in the show window of Hastings Bros. yesterday morning. The final sentence is said to be word for word as given over the public telephone by the town clerk to the forgetter.

STATE OF MATRIMONY.

Certificate of Marriage.

Full Name of Groom _____
Age—Old enough to know better.
Color—Black and tan.
Occupation—Absent minded.
Residence—Heaven just now.
Single or Widowed—Who knows?
No. of Marriage—No record kept.

Full Name of Bride _____
Age—Just right.
Color—Will not fade.
Occupation—School-marm.
Residence—With Ted.
Single or Widowed—Neither now.
No. of Marriage—First chance.

This intention of marriage between the parties above named was duly entered in this office and left there forgotten.

TOWN CLERK.

The Lecture To-Night.

At the M. E. church to-night the Rev. Ammi Ladd, D. D. of Portland will deliver the third lecture of the course. The subject will be, A Plea for Charity. Dr. Ladd is very interesting in all his lectures. This will probably be the last opportunity to hear Dr. Ladd in this vicinity. We plead for a large audience. Lecture to commence at 7:50 sharp.

TOWN MEETINGS.

The Bethel town meeting was an exceedingly quiet one as far as any contests or pointed debates were concerned. There were two candidates for collector and three for school committee, all other officers being elected unanimously. The officers elected were as follows:
Moderator—H. H. Hastings.
Clerk—L. T. Barker.
Selectmen—C. E. Barker, F. J. Russell, F. F. Bean.
Treasurer—N. F. Brown.
Collector—T. H. Jewett.
School Committee—N. R. Spring.

Auditor—W. W. Hastings.
The only change from last year is in the board of selectmen. Mr. S. B. Twitchell, who has been chairman for the past seven years, and to whom each and every citizen of the town is indebted for the faithful and impartial discharge of his duties, felt obliged, owing to the condition of his health, to withdraw this year and the second and third were brought forward and Mr. Bean elected in third place.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Schools,	\$2500
Repairs on school houses,	150
Text books,	300
Tuition in secondary schools,	600
Roads and bridges,	4000
Support of poor,	1200
Town officers,	1000
Miscellaneous,	400
Extend sewer system,	500
State road,	400
Cover sand at South Bethel,	300
Brown Post,	35
J. S. Hutchins for damages,	25

Voted to allow a discount of 5 per cent on all taxes paid on or before July 1, 1905 and a discount of 3 per cent on all paid on or before Nov. 1. Rate of collection .014.

The Bethel Public Library trustees served the regular annual dinner, the receipts from which amounted to \$20.

RUMFORD.

Moderator—Waldo Petengill.
Clerk—F. O. Eaton.
Selectmen—Walter Morse, W. V. Kimball, Arthur Gaucher.
Treasurer—F. B. Martin.

HANOVER.

Moderator—Harry E. Dyer.
Clerk—A. G. Howe.
Selectmen—A. T. Powers, E. P. Smith, S. P. Davis.
Treasurer—Arthur S. Howe.
Collector—J. D. Kimball.

GREENWOOD.

Selectmen—M. H. Harrington, H. D. Cole, O. L. Peabody.
Road Commissioners—Will C. Cross, S. A. Farr.
School Committee—R. E. Morgan.

NORWAY.

Moderator—A. S. Kimball.
Clerk—Geo. L. Curtis.
Selectmen—A. J. Stearns, E. E. Witt, George H. Dunn.
Treasurer—H. J. Bangs.
Collector—George A. Cole.
School Committee—H. L. Horne.

PARIS.

Moderator—J. S. Wright.
Clerk—W. J. Wheeler.
Selectmen—Jesse Howe, Henry D. Hammond, Charles W. Bowker.
Treasurer—F. A. Shurtleff.
Collector—Alfred H. Jackson.

ALBANY.

Moderator—John Lord.
Clerk—Ray G. Wardwell.
Selectmen—W. E. Herrick, Clifford Eastman, Edwin Rolfe.
Collector—John Lord.
School Committee—Ray Wardwell.

GILEAD.

Moderator—Albert Bennett.
Clerk—Ralph Peabody.
Selectmen—A. J. Blake, S. A. Coffin, A. T. Heath.
Treasurer—Milan R. Bennett.
Collector—M. M. Mason.
S. S. Committee—J. E. Richardson.

Road Commissioners—M. M. Mason and J. F. Richardson.
Treasurer—W. C. Newell.

Wanted.

A man and wife to carry on the Bethel town farm; year beginning April 13, next. Apply to Selectmen, Bethel, Maine.

It Keeps the Feet Warm and Dry.

Ask today for Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder, it cures Chills, Swollen, Sweating, Sore, Aching, Damp feet. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c.

The Concert of March 15.

The concert to be given under the auspices of the Epworth League which will, with the exception of a postponed lecture, close the lecture course which was inaugurated by the fourth department of the local chapter of that organization, will be presented to the public on Wednesday evening, the 15th of the present month. The committee has not thought to attempt to compete with the talent which is brought into town as professional, but will nevertheless be able to offer to our people something very much worth while if present arrangements do not miscarry.

They say that prophets are not without honor save in their own country, etc., but we are sure that there is musical talent in Bethel that can challenge attention and ought to have it. However, in this case besides the local artists, there will come to us the outside and professional singer as well.

It has been our good fortune to secure for this evening Miss Anna May Somerville of St. Johnsbury, Vermont, who, if we may believe the press reports, is a singer of high grade and great ability.

We note that the Halifax Journal says of her after she had sung there in connection with the Bostonia Sextette Club:

"The Club was assisted by Miss Anna May Somerville, soprano, who is one of the best vocalists that Halifax has heard this year. She has a full, sweet voice, a charming stage presence, and sings with ease and good expression. Her song, 'Heaven Hath Shed a Tear,' was a gem, etc., etc."

The Littleton Republic Journal, speaking of the musical convention at that place (Littleton, N. H.) says:

"Miss Anna Somerville of St. Johnsbury carried away the honors of the concert."

This from a Lawrence, Mass., paper:

"Those who attended the Masonic ladies' night given by Grecian lodge were given a most agreeable surprise in hearing the soprano of the evening, Miss Anna May Somerville."

Lastly, from one of the Biddeford papers we glean this:

"Miss Anna Somerville of Boston, appeared for the first time before the Club, and was received most enthusiastically. She has a soprano voice of that quality which is hardly to be called mezzo, but possesses the richness of the contralto with the melody and brilliancy of a soprano, etc., etc."

These are but abstracts from much longer reports from these papers, but suffice to show the appreciation of those who heard Miss Somerville on those occasions.

Miss Somerville could not have been secured by the Epworth League except for a personal courtesy to a friend and relative who resides in Bethel. We trust that the people of this village will not miss hearing her.

The reader for the evening will be Mr. Alfred Morse of South Paris, who, we are informed, has read to Bethel audiences before, much to their delight.

The others, who constitute the majority of the personnel of the concert are those whom we have referred to as "local talent." Why isn't local talent just as good as foreign talent, if it is talent? Why is it that sometimes we turn out in crowds to hear a minister or speaker from Ohio who cannot speak half as interestingly as the one near neighbor to us whom we almost utterly ignore. However, "blood will tell." Now there's pretty good musical blood in our local artists for this evening's concert. The quartet will consist of Miss Jane Gibson, soprano; Miss Bessie Andrews, alto; Mr. H. P. Dennison, tenor; and Dr. I. H. Wight, bass. These will sing as a quartet and also render solos and duets as will be noted by the program given below. Miss Elsie Hall, well-known to Bethel audiences, will be the accompanist for the evening. The concert will be given at

Odeon Hall and those who have the course tickets will be admitted as at the church, but if they desire the specially reserved seats they can procure them by carrying their green ticket to the drug store of G. R. Wiley, and by paying an extra ten cents secure the proper ticket entitling them to a reserved seat. All who have no course ticket can secure reserved seats at the same place for thirty-five cents. Admission to other parts of the hall will be twenty-five cents. Reserved seats for those under twelve years will be sold for twenty cents, to be used only by such.

Those holding course tickets are hereby notified that the lecture to have been given by Rev. Frank C. Potter will be given on March 12, if he is then able to deliver it. If not a lecture by some suitable substitute will take its place.

PROGRAM.

Piano Solo,	Elsie Hall.	Selected
Quartet—Voices of the Woods,	Robinson	
Misses Gibson and Andrews,		
Messrs. Wight and Dennison.		
Recitation—One of Job's Comforters,	Alfred Morse.	
Solo—Chanson Provencale,	Del Acqua	
Anna May Somerville,		
Duet,	Mrs. Foster and Miss Andrews.	Selected
Recitation—The Whistling Regiment,	Alfred Morse.	
Solo,	Dr. I. H. Wight.	Selected
Solo,	Jane Howard Gibson.	Selected
Recitation—The Negro Funeral,	Alfred Morse.	
Solo,—		
(a) The Ring,	Hawley	
(b) Dear Love when in thine Arms,	I Lie,	Chadwick
(c) The Nightingale's Song,	Nevin	
Anna May Somerville.		
Recitation—How Ruby Played the Piano,	Alfred Morse.	
Quartet—The Violet's Fate,	Abt	
Misses Gibson and Andrews,		
Messrs. Wight and Dennison.		

Chapman Concert.

There is no doubt that the musical event of the season will be the concert which is to be given Saturday evening March 11 at Odeon Hall by W. R. Chapman and a company of selected artists. Mr. Chapman's concerts are always enjoyable, and judging from the list of artists, this one will be even better than any he has ever given here.

He will bring with him Miss Louise Truax of New York, whistling soloist, Miss Frances Drinkwater of Bangor, contralto, and Mr. Frank Welch of Portland, violinist.

Miss Truax is an old favorite with Maine audiences and needs no introduction here. Though still a young girl, she has had a tremendous success wherever she has appeared—whether it be before the crowned heads of Europe, the aristocrats of New York City, or the music loving people of Maine. And she has improved greatly in the past year, so that her appearance here ought to bring to her another triumph.

Miss Drinkwater is a Bangor girl with a future. She was the soloist at the concert recently given in Portland by the Portland Symphony Orchestra, and she met with a pronounced success. Her voice is a very pleasing one, and she sings with much expression. Her appearance here is awaited with much interest.

Mr. Frank Welch, the violinist, is the concert master of the Portland Symphony Orchestra. He is well worth hearing and his playing is always enjoyed. He is an artist in the true sense of the word.

Mr. Chapman will act as accompanist for all the artists. This ought to add much to the attractiveness of the programme as his playing is enjoyable and at all times artistic.

The sale of tickets will begin Wednesday March 8. Make your selections of seats early and avoid the rush at the last minute. The price of admission has been placed so low that all may have an opportunity to hear and enjoy these excellent artists. Come and fill the house to the doors.

Family Physician for 35¢ That's What "L. F." Costs

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We have used "L. F." Bitters in our family for a long time, and consider them indispensable for all liver and stomach troubles.

They are, in fact, our family physician.
Yours very truly,
MRS. ETTA M. PACKARD,
Ripley, Me.

Many unnecessary calls are made upon the physician. Follow the first rule of health. "Keep your bowels regular." Take "L. F." Atwood's Bitters when nature needs a little assistance.

Couldn't Stand for One.

Here! shouted the suddenly rich man from the best to a waiter in the highest-priced hotel on the beach, "bring me any other knife."

"Yes, sah."
"Understand, after this, that I never eat mashed potatoes and boiled cabbage with the same knife."—Detroit Free Press.

She Wasn't a Peach.

Said he, "You're a peach. Fly with me!"
She replied, as she dashed all his hope, "You're mistaken. A peach, did you say?"

Well, I'm not—I'm a cantaloupe!"
—Philadelphia Bulletin.

She Had Cause for Fear.

"Mamma," said the cannibal beauty to her maternal ancestor, "I am really alarmed at Mr. Kinkey's intense passion for me."
"Why, my dear?"
"Only last night he declared I was sweet enough to eat."—Buffalo Times.

When Business Is Dull.

Passer-By: "I thought you were blind?"
Mendicant: "Well, boss, times is so hard and competition is so great that even a blind man has to keep his eyes open nowadays, if he wants to do any business at all."—Chicago Journal.

Real Agitators.

"Is it true," asked the English vaudeville actress, "that there are people in America who really desire the elevation of the stage?"
"Yes," replied the man from across the pond, "the gallery gods."—Chicago News.

From Experience.

"If a man tells the exact truth at all times," said the philosopher, "he has done as much as ought to be expected of him."
"My friend," answered the weather forecaster, "he has done a great deal more than ought to be expected of him."—Washington Star.

What She Played, Merely.

Bacon: "Wait did I say was that my daughter played the grand piano?"
Egbert: "Yes, that's what I understood."
Bacon: "Well, it's all right if you understood it. I was afraid perhaps you thought I said she played the piano grand."—Yonkers Statesman.

She Had Him Classified.

Overheard on the "Tube": Baby: "Dadda!"
Fond Mother: "That ain't yer dadda, dear; that's a gentleman!"—Chicago Journal.

He Had Been There.

"You must visit our new country club," said the suburbanite. "The grounds are beautiful; the golf links superb. You won't find such scenery elsewhere. On entering the grounds the first thing that strikes your eye—" "I know!" interrupted the city man; "a golf ball!"—Philadelphia Press.

An Announcement.

We wish to announce right here that if Perdicaris gets on the lecture platform we'll never contribute another cent for the ransom of a man captured by bandits. —Albany Times-Union.

Her Currency.

Nature's money system
Herein is revealed;
Dandelion goldpiece
In a greenback field.
—New York Sun.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for anyone to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip, and that by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the threatened attack of pneumonia may be ward off. This remedy is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and always get the best results."

Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

ARMOR-PLATED BANKS.

Steel Fortresses With Conning Towers for the Tellers.

The first National Bank of Lander is a little steel fortress. The counter is faced with solid metal, and the teller does business from within a conning tower. When you go into the bank you cannot see any one, and it is so arranged that a band of hold-ups could be riddled from front and back. One of the worst bandits that ever disturbed Wyoming bankers used to be a small ranchman. A big cattle outfit had a mortgage on his herd. They claimed his cattle were irregularly obtained, and on a round-up they "vended his brand;" that is, put a mark through it, to indicate that it no longer represented ownership. Then there was trouble about a horse. Discrepancies of brand, and the beginning of danger out there, and this man served three years. When he came out he robbed a good many banks in broad daylight, at the point of a pistol. Yet for some reason half the sheriffs and most of the people were his friends. As one cowboy said to me, "The same companies that make war on the small owners are the ones that used to pay \$5 for every maverick we could get under their branding irons. They taught us how to steal, and then prosecuted every man who did any of it on his own account." Anyway they never got this particular bandit again, and the banks of the West are acquiring the armor plate habit.—The Century.

Franklin in Paris.

How Benjamin Franklin appeared to a fashionable Parisian lady in the eighteenth century is told in the memoirs of the Marquise de Creguy. She describes the man who chained lightning as follows: "I once had the honor of meeting M. Franklin at supper at Mme. de Tesse's. As a joke she never let me know that he was coming and put me next him at the table. I paid them out by never speaking a single word to him. What, indeed, could I have found to say to this librarian and printer? Franklin wore his hair long like a Britanny deacon. He had on a brown coat and a plum-colored vest and breeches and his hands were of the same shade. His cravat was striped with red. But what impressed me mostly was the way he ate eggs. He broke them into a glass with butter, mustard, pepper and salt. It took at least six of them to make this philosophical ragout, with which he fed himself in small spoonfuls. He bit off the heads of the asparagus instead of using a fork; in fact, he was a species of savage."

Among the Mongols.

Tea, with an admixture of salt and mutton grease, is the common beverage in Mongolia. It is not recommended. Snuff-taking is universal and the offer of the snuff bottle is the general method of greeting. Mongols appear to seclude their women in some measure, at least, from strangers, and a traveler's arrival is usually the signal for a hasty departure or the ladies of the family for the tents of their next neighbors.

He Wanted Brandy.

At a colliery near Leeds, England, is a shaft considerably above the average of such erections in that part of the country. A miner had fallen off the staging to the ground and on recovering consciousness was offered a glass of water by one of the men who had picked him up. Looking at the water in disgust and amazement, he exclaimed: "Hoo fur does that ha' to fall at this pit afore they gives yer brandy?"

Didn't Know His Own.

Edmund Burke once showed a painting to St. Joshua Reynolds, whose opinion he invited. St. Joshua looked long and attentively at it. "Well," he said, "I really don't know what to say. It's a cleverish thing, but whether there's sufficient promise in it to justify my advising the young man to adopt art as a calling I really cannot say." It was Reynolds' own work done many years before.

Length of Human Life.

The average of human life is thirty-three and one-third years, or three to a century. One child born out of every four dies before reaching the age of seven years, and only one-half of the world's population ever reach the age of seventeen. Only one of 10,000 ever reach the age of 100 years. There have been many alleged cases of longevity in all ages, but only a few are authentic.

Property Recovered.

A family in Florida lost their little boy and advertised for him in a daily paper. That afternoon an alligator crawled out of the swamp and died on the front doorstep. In his stomach was found a handful of red hair, some bone buttons, a pair of boot heels, a glass alley, a pair of check trousers and a paper collar. The advertisement did.—Mobile Herald.

Meaning of "Bonanza."

Norman E. Mack of Buffalo was asked to define the word bonanza. Mr. Mack has had some experience in mining propositions, and replied: "A bonanza is a hole in the ground owned by a d—d liar."

The Mississippi Valley.

The largest valley in the world is the valley of the Mississippi. It contains 500,000 square miles, and is one of the most fertile regions on the face of the globe.

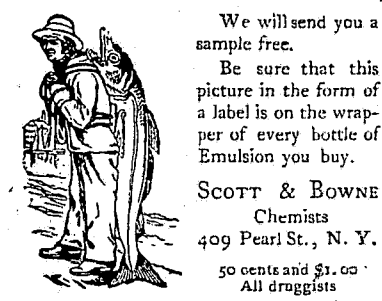
A copy of "Poor Richard's" almanac, printed in 1739, was sold at auction in Philadelphia recently for \$565.

Every Two Minutes

Physicians tell us that all the blood in a healthy human body passes through the heart once in every two minutes. If this action becomes irregular the whole body suffers. Poor health follows poor blood; Scott's Emulsion makes the blood pure. One reason why

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is such a great aid is because it passes so quickly into the blood. It is partly digested before it enters the stomach; a double advantage in this. Less work for the stomach; quicker and more direct benefits. To get the greatest amount of good with the least possible effort is the desire of everyone in poor health. Scott's Emulsion does just that. A change for the better takes place even before you expect it.



We will send you a sample free. Be sure that this picture is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy. SCOTT & BOWNE Chemists 409 Pearl St., N. Y. 50 cents and \$1.00. All druggists.

Death on Eggs.

Ackley, Ia., has the champion egg eater of the United States. George Richardson, a stock buyer of that city, has an appetite for hen fruit that is not satisfied by the usual allotment, as he demonstrated when he ate sixty-one in twenty minutes in the presence of witnesses. Richardson thinks nothing of eating two dozen at one sitting, and experience no inconvenience from the unusual number. About a week ago he ate fifty eggs on a bet of \$5 and offered to bet a dollar he could eat two dozen more.—Indianapolis Sun.

No National Holiday.

A national holiday is a holiday of which the observance is by law enjoined upon the nation. There are no holidays in the United States, for the reason that the fixing of legal holidays is not a federal matter, but one that comes under the jurisdiction of the various states. Thus the proclamation of the President designating a day of thanksgiving only makes it a legal holiday for the District of Columbia and the territories, and in those states which provide by law for it.

TO BE CONGRATULATED.



Miss Passaye—Yes, I am really engaged to Mr. Oldm. He proposed to me last night at the hop.
Miss R. Caste—And you accepted him on the jump! Allow me to congratulate you.

The average man thinks he isn't even with the world until he owes others more than they owe him.

The use of gas for fuel in cooking isn't always a help to gastronomy.

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of Dennison, Ohio, was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. "I used many remedies," he says. "Finally I sent to McCaw's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to move hand or foot, and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam."

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BEN JOHNSON BURIED UPRIGHT.

Question Whether This Was His Original Position.

During the Shakespeare's grave discussion it may be interesting to ask, "Why was Ben Jonson buried in the upright position?" G. Pitt-Lewis says that he felt "he must be buried upright in Westminster Abbey." The tradition has it, however, that he asked for as much space in the abbey as he could stand up in, and that this was just what was granted to him. It is not at all generally known that his grave, not being protected as Shakespeare's is, was opened in Dean Buckland's time. Had he really been buried standing on his feet? was the problem to be resolved. The opening of the grave was a stealthy affair, carried out at dead of night. The body had been buried in the upright position, without a doubt. Some of the rough, reddish-gray hair was still clinging to the skull. A collecting maniac, who had been permitted to be present, overcame his reverence for the remains of "Rare Ben," and he carried some relics home with him, whereupon the late Edward Draper, hearing of what had been done, issued through the Illustrated London News a veiled threat of exposure, and the grave was again opened in order that the relics might be restored.—London Chronicle.

Ashamed of a Hairless Horse.

A farmer near Jackson raised a colt that was as bare of hair as a Mexican dog. The parents of the freak were of the ordinary, covered kind, and no theory is advanced as to the cause of the offspring's ridiculous nudity. The animal grew to horsehood but seemed so "sort of repulsive like" that the owner was ashamed to drive him to town and kept the hairless monster at work on the farm. A Jackson man heard of the horse and for \$40 became his owner, and now has an offer of \$500 for him, a sum which he has refused on the ground that the freak is worth much more. In all respects except his shameless endashability, the hairless horse appears respectable and well-behaved.—Detroit Tribune.

Sauerkraut for Sickness.

Here is a story that illustrates the estimate the German citizen places on sauerkraut as a food staple. A German was speaking last fall about the high price of cabbage. "I tell you, these kabbages is awful high dis year," he said; "me and me wife puts up six, seven, eight barrels of sauerkraut every year—but we can't dis year. Dem kabbages dey cost too much." "You put up some sauerkraut, didn't you, Chris?" he was asked. "Oh, yes—two or three barrels—just to haf in de house in case of sickness."—San Francisco Argonaut.

World's Largest Organ.

Sydney, N. S. W., will shortly be disappointed of the claim of the largest organ in the world, which has been theirs by right of the magnificent instrument in the Continental Hall. An organ will be on view at the St. Louis Exhibition which will be the biggest thing of its kind yet built. It will consist of five practically distinct organs, will contain 124 stops and 10,000 pipes, while the estimated cost is \$20,000.—Australia Newspaper.

Impossible to Lose.

F. Hopkinson Smith, the author and artist, told this mother-in-law yarn recently: "Arrah, you're lookin' very sad," said Pat O'Hollahan, addressing his friend Denis the other day. "Oi feel sad!" responded Denis. "Oi've lost my mother-in-law. I tell you it's hard to lose your mother-in-law!" "Hard!" exclaimed Pat, "B'gorrah, it's almost impossible!"

Engraving Processes.

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Sawdust Alcohol.

A Norwegian chemist has discovered a new and cheap process for making alcohol from sawdust. Sawdust is treated under pressure with diluted sulphuric acid, by which the cellulose is transformed into sugar, which, by adding fermentation producers, is converted into alcohol in the old manner and then distilled.

Some Chinese Money.

The Chinese Government has decided to strike coins bearing the uniform weight of one Haikuan tael, of the value of 3s. 1 1/2d., and this new coin is to be the future silver unit of money throughout the empire.

A Newspaper Palace.

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WEDNESDAY, MAR. 8, 1905.

A Skim-Milk Argument.

Our esteemed contemporary, The
Norway Advertiser, has recently as-
sumed to become an important fac-
tor in Oxford county affairs and has
posed as the guardian of the coun-
ty's strong box, while incidentally
it is making a brave attempt to
pluck a few feathers for its own lit-
tle downy bed.Two articles criticising the posi-
tion of our county delegation, in
connection with the salaries of our
county officers, have been published,
each covering substantially the same
ground, and giving as the reason
why the salaries should not be rais-
ed, the not wholly original idea that
good men have always been found
to serve at the present salaries in
the past and, without doubt, would
continue to be forthcoming if the
salaries were to remain unchanged.Somehow, one member of our de-
legation, Representative Edward E.
Witt of Norway, seemed to consider
the article of sufficient importance
to warrant a reply, which he made
in a communication to the editor,
and which was published in the
March 3 issue of the Advertiser.
His statement is plain and shows
the position which the delegation
has taken to be straightforward and
businesslike. It is simply a fair,
impartial explanation of the situa-
tion and one that any intelligent,
fairminded person can appreciate.
But it was too much for the editor.
It floored him. For although he
had been yapping at the heels of
the delegation for some weeks, when
he found that he had really attract-
ed their attention, he dropped his
ears and ran; simply said, he pre-
sumed that it would be useless to
further multiply words, and began
barking up another tree.This is where the skim-milk comes
in; for of all the skim-milk argu-
ments that we ever have seen or
heard, this one is the thinnest and
bluest of them all. The editor prac-
tically ignores the points touched
by Representative Witt; simply dis-
misses the argument which he seem-
ed to have been counting for the
past month and blunders onto an
attack upon the newspapers of the
county. He accuses them all, ex-
cept his own immaculate sheet, of
being tools of the county's political
machine. He departs from what he
knows to be the truth, and states or
infers that all are owned, wholly or
in part, by office holders, and hence
he names the reason why they are
silent on the salary question.We presume that the other county
papers will let this discourteous in-
sultation pass unnoticed, and we al-
most feel like apologizing for de-
scending to give reference to it, but
with due apology for further refer-
ence we will simply state that our
brother Editor must have been in a
terrible state of desperation to have
conceived of any grains of comfort
to be had by attempting to inform
the people of Oxford County that
Judge A. E. Herrick owns any in-
terest in the Bethel News. Neither
Judge Herrick nor anyone else, save
the editor of the News, owns one
cent in the News plant, and unless
we are much mistaken our brother
Editor knows it.As long as brother Sanborn has
assumed to state why the News is
silent on the salary question we will
help him a bit by stating the real
reason why we have been silent, and
we will add a word as to the reason
why he has been buzzing.

Now as to why we have been si-

lent. The question of salary of our
various county officers, as well as all
questions of interest to the citizens
of Oxford County, has been placed
in the hands of our county delega-
tion, consisting of the Senator and
Representatives which have been
elected by the people. We had con-
fidence in those people to serve us
faithfully and well; the question of
salary was one of the important
questions which came before them
for adjustment; we knew that they
were going to the very bottom of
the matter, and felt that they would
render a decision according to their
best knowledge and judgment, and
we could see no reason why there
was any case for interference by us.
Personally, we felt that circumstances
called for an increase of salary
for several of our county officers.
We are aware that we are living
in an age of progress; that in the
march of progress each stride places
greater duties and larger responsi-
bilities upon those whom we call to
fill the offices of public trust, and
along with these added responsi-
bilities should justly come an increased
remuneration commensurate with the
increased labor and care; but again
we had confidence in our delegation,
and knew that they would not be jar-
red in the least by the bluster of
"the only paper in the county which
could consistently speak," and still
we kept quiet. Not bought brother,
nor owned, nor hired, nor scared,
simply quiet from a sense of con-
fidence that justice would be done
you and me as well as the office
holders.And now as to our brother who
has the proud distinction of editing
the only paper in Oxford County
which can consistently express itself
on this important question. He
knows which side of his bread his
butter is on. He knows that the
better he places his friends and those
whom he serves, the more bread and
butter he will get, and if he can fore-
know what they like to have him say,
he is going to say it. Why shouldn't
he? It is business to do it and he
knows it. Now he admits, in fact as-
serts in each of his articles in the dis-
cussion of the salary question, that
the people of the county are opposed
to increased salaries; he gives his
reasons for knowing that they are.
As long as he knows how the people
feel, as long as he knows that he
knows it and knows how he knows
it, and why he knows, and as long as
his fixed policy is to be on the side
of the people whenever he can deter-
mine which side the people are on,
why shouldn't he be opposed to the
action of the delegation? Consistent!
Of course he can be consistent.
He knows how the people feel and
he is going to feel that way too if
the heavens fall.We have something of a feeling,
however, that it is not all of life to
drift with the tide; to be able to
keep our fingers upon the public
pulse and thus determine just the
things that we should say in order
to please those to whom we look for
patronage and support, has never
been our sole ambition. It is al-
ways pleasant to be able to agree
with the popular crowd especially if
we are looking to the popular crowd
for our success in business, but we
like to do a bit of our own thinking,
and like to be governed in our rela-
tion to public questions somewhat
by our own sense of justice and right,
although at times it may lead us to
disagree with the general public.Yes, brother we can consistently
speak; our utterances are not dictated
by any office holder who chances
to have a claim on any of the blood
within our veins, nor are they mould-
ed in accordance with the supposed
opinions of those from whom we
seek patronage and support. We
enjoy being on the popular side as
well as any one, but if in our judg-
ment, the so-called popular side is
the wrong side, then we trust that
we may be pardoned for being on
the other side.Not always to be able to make
friends by championing the cause of
the largest crowd but always to be
able to add our mite on the side of
right, as we are given light to see the
right, is, and we trust ever may be,
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STATE HOUSE TALK.

The ninth week of the seventy-
second Legislature has closed upon
a spell of debate, log-rolling, and
general agitation. The Druggists'
bill of Representative Milliken of
Island Falls, the cider bill of Repre-
sentative Stevens of Portland, the
Rockland Representative Kimball's
bill against trading stamp compa-
nies, the bitter fight and Senate vic-
tory of Senator Clark's bill provid-
ing fire insurers with the right of a
trial by jury, the victory of Univer-
sity of Maine interests in the mat-
ter of college printing being done
by the State, the decisive defeat of
Resubmission—these and other
smaller agitations have moved men
and measures very lively.Yet with all the rush and bustle
of business, probably two weeks
more will be consumed, before final
adjourns. Some say March 18 will
be the last day; but committee re-
ports will still come back for some
days yet, and one matter and
another will keep the law-makers
very likely till March 25.The various town-meetings Mon-
day called home most of the legisla-
tors, so that little business was
done between Friday and Tuesday.
The Senate wished to convene Tues-
day morning, while the House mem-
bers, on account of town meetings
late Monday, wanted to travel Tues-
day morning and assemble in the
afternoon. The two branches bick-
ered and wrangled in vain. Accord-
ing to the constitution, neither body
can adjourn for over two days in-
cluding Sunday but by joint con-
sent, unable to agree, the Senate and
the House both convened Saturday
and Monday for mere formality of
the constitution, on account of their
discord over the time of meeting
Tuesday.The Sturgis bill and the Merrill
railroad taxation bill are the main
measures not yet aired in either
branch. Eight members of the Tax-
ation committee are opposed to the
Merrill bill, while the other two,
Hastings of Bethel and Irving of
Presque Isle, favor the bill in a new
draft. The new draft reduces the
limit from a 10 per cent tax on gross
earnings to 6 per cent; and if passed
contrary to the present opinion, the
tax on the Maine Central would be
about \$325,000, on the Boston &
Maine, \$100,000 and on the Port-
land & Rumford, \$25,000.
The tax on these roads is now up to
the present limit of 4 per cent, and
is but two-thirds of the figures given
above. While there will be some
lively tilts over the Merrill measure,
it will probably be beaten handsily
enough.Senator Sturgis feels very sanguine
about the Senate attitude towards
his bill for a liquor enforcement
commission, and expects fully
eighteen Senators to vote for it. He
admits a closer contest likely in
the House, but thinks his side will
win there. What he reckons, the
most salient and effective feature
of the bill is that providing for one-
half of the fines of a county being
turned over to the State, in case the
commissioners find it necessary to
interfere. When the commissioners
find that local officials are not en-
forcing the law, they shall direct
the deputy commissioners to enforce
it. Then all liquor fines are to be
divided equally between the county
and the State. Moreover, a
special attorney is appointed for the
county, all liquor fines will go to theState. The people of a county would
not stand by and see so much of the
fines go to the State. They would
want the law enforced so that the
county would get all the fines. This
bill would be an incentive to the
sheriff for the people would demand
enforcement, and he would be con-
strained to meet their well-grounded
wishes.The Sturgis bill was to come back
to the Senate Tuesday or Wednes-
day and will probably be handled
in the House early next week. The
Temperance committee are evenly
divided on this bill. The three Re-
publican senators, also two Republi-
can representatives, favor it, while
three Republican representatives
and two Democrats oppose it.Thursday morning in the Senate
was devoted to the insurance bill of
Senator Clark and the discussion of
the resolve in favor of the Univer-
sity of Maine. The amendment to let
it do its own printing was voted
down 19 to 7. The sentiment in
favor of this institution prevails
stronger and stronger every session,
though more question and curiosity
are in order.Senator Stetson of Bangor champi-
oned the insurance laws as now ex-
isting against Senator Clark of Han-
cock. Stetson was defeated after
ably presenting his views. He
urged the almost universal satis-
faction with the arbitration clause
and urged that less than 5 per cent.
of fire losses were arbitrated. Mr.
Clark attacked the general theory
of this clause, which deprived the
insured of the right to a trial by
jury to which every citizen may have
recourse when other parties and
corporations are concerned, and saw
no reason why insurance companies
should not be treated like other as-
sociations. Only a very few Sena-
tors opposed the change. The
House, however, will contest the
bill more evenly.The committee on legal affairs
voted ought not to pass on the bill
to restrict trading stamp business.The report was accepted, and trad-
ing stamp concerns may continue to
do business as they have done.Resubmission is much weaker
than it was two years ago. The
House voted against it over one
hundred to 28, while the Senate
voted 15 to 3. So little interest
was shown in the upper body, that
a dozen senators were not present
at all, many of whom did not wish
to be bored by rum arguments or
anti-rum debate.Wednesday afternoon was devoted
largely to the Judiciary committee
consideration of the Milliken bill
for proper labeling of proprietary
medicines with alcohol and narcotic
drugs. The new draft is a radical
departure from the old; it excepts
physicians' prescriptions and all the
ordinary stock of a druggist, and is
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under a seal or trademark; it also
makes manufacturers liable for any
false statement made in the label.
The bill, if passed, will take effect
July 1, 1906. Many druggists, as
well as the State Board of Pharmacy,
objected stoutly to the old draft,
but do not now object.Ingersoll of Biddeford introduced
an act which would give all legisla-
tors hereafter sent here \$300 in-
stead of \$150, and the President and
the Speaker \$600 instead of \$300.Representative Stevens of Port-
land has caused a stir by his bill to
make unlawful any sale of cider
with over 3 per cent. alcohol. The
outcome is not clear.So much for a very busy week,
with prospects of two more weeks
full of discussion and law-making,
while the committees are fast dis-
patching their business.

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utes of the United States.IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand
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Real estate, 631,081.10
Stocks and Bonds, 5,280,355.00
Cash in office and bank, 168,001.75
Bills receivable, 816.46
Interest and rents, 10,831.18
All other assets, 69,376.38
Gross assets, 6,700,617.97
Deduct items not admitted, 93,068.89
Admitted assets, 6,607,549.08
Liabilities, December 31, 1904.
Net unpaid losses, 1,000,814.50
Unearned premiums, 2,735,071.35
General contingent fund, 459,000.00
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elections.

Lumbermen have had a g

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A traveling agent for the N

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WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

Spring draweth near. Good sleighing for March. Monday was a fine day for town elections.

Lumbermen have had a good winter for their business.

A traveling agent for the New England Homestead was in town last week.

Elmer R. Briggs of South Paris visited his father and brothers here Sunday.

Master Henry Lapham of Bethel Hill stayed over Sunday with his mother, sister, grandmother and aunt.

Misses Florence and Mabel Haskell met with good success last week in obtaining subscribers to Good Stories and Happy Hours.

S. W. Potter, Esq., has our thanks for a large variety of late newspapers, both daily and weekly.

A Dinner Invitation.

After a hearty meal a dose of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will prevent an attack of indigestion. Kodol is a thorough, digestant, and a guaranteed cure for indigestion, dyspepsia, gas on the stomach, sour risings, bad breath and all stomach troubles. N. Watkins, Leebus, Ky., says: "I can testify to the efficiency of Kodol in the cure of Stomach Trouble. I was afflicted with Stomach Trouble for fifteen years and have taken six bottles of your Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, which entirely cured me. The six bottles were worth \$1,000 to me." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will digest any quantity of all the wholesome food you want to eat while your stomach takes a rest—recuperates and grows strong. This wonderful preparation is justly entitled to all of its many remarkable cures. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Jennie Swan has gone to South Paris where she has work.

Mrs. Olive Bartlett visited the past week at Warren Adams', Rumford.

Mrs. Mabel Bartlett has gone to the hospital at Lewiston for treatment.

Z. W. Bartlett's mill at North Rumford which has been shut down for repairs is again running with both a day and a night crew.

The next supper will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Abbott, Thursday evening, March 16. These suppers are served by the matrons of Alder River Grange and have received a generous patronage. Much interest is now being manifested in the building of a new hall in the early spring. A very desirable building lot has been deeded this grange, a free gift from James M. Bartlett. Over two hundred dollars in money, lumber, etc., have already been subscribed.

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Mrs. Abiah Bennett is somewhat improved in health.

Isaac A. Paine, is cutting wood in A. B. Grover's wood lot.

Fred Wheeler has been cutting birch for A. B. Grover.

Chas. L. Abbott, Jr., was in this place last Saturday.

Gwendolyn Stearns who has been enjoying a visit with friends in Norway for the past few weeks, returned home the first of this week.

Several from here attended prize speaking at Odeon hall Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dunham gave a wedding reception at Albany town hall Saturday night.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mrs. Elizabeth Edgerley of Portland, has been visiting at William Blake's.

Mrs. Ernest P. Parlin and son Albert of Sabattus, visited at William Blake's last week.

Mary H. Taylor of Boston is visiting at Harry Morton's.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Packard and son of West Paris have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Carter.

Rev. A. K. Baldwin of Winthrop occupied the Congregational pulpit last week.

Anna Crooker is home from Heron Academy where she teaches.

The William K. Kimball Relief Corps will serve their annual town meeting dinner in the G. A. R. hall for the benefit of the Post.

The Mason Manufacturing Co.'s shop is running as usual after having been shut down to repair a break in the water pipe.

The Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge will entertain Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge of Norway, Friday evening, March 10, the Norway team will exemplify the work.

An all day meeting was held at Paris Grange Hall last Saturday. State Master, Obidiah Gardner was present. The recent sale of the Grange netted \$60.

Warren Swett of Boston is visiting relatives here.

Lilla C. Farrar received a birthday present of a gold watch and chain from her uncle, Edgar Farrar of Manchester, N. H.

L. P. Swett of Molunkus, was at home over Sunday.

It has been decided to use the Methodist Church bell without repairing for the present.

Two candidates were initiated in Stony Brook Lodge N. E. O. P., at their last regular meeting.

The hour of service of the Universalist church on Pine street will be changed from the afternoon to the morning at 10:45 on and after March 12; Sunday school at noon.

Electric lights have been put into the jailor's residence at the County Buildings on Western Avenue and hardwood floors in the dining-room and halls.

The warrant for the village corporation contains two additional articles: First—To see if the village will raise money to help replace the bell in the Methodist church. Second—To see if the village will raise money for the support of the Public Library.

South Paris Village Corporation—Valuation, \$596,430; assessed, \$2,053.72; polls, 442; rate \$1; property rate, .0027. Balance in treasury, \$317.03; fire department, \$201.45; town clock, \$14.25; hydrants, \$1,004.50; parks \$77.66. Fires were: Mar. 7, 1904, at Mrs. F. A. Thayer's; Dec. 23, 1904, at Hosea Bonney's; Jan. 28, 1905, at the Andrews House.

A preliminary examination of the pupils of the Paris High School, for speaking at a Grand Contest in New Hall to be held March 16, was held at the High School building on Pine street on the afternoons of March 1, 2, and 3. The seniors and juniors read or recited essays and the sophomores and freshmen recited. Three from each class were chosen to compete in the final contest at which prizes of \$5 for the best speaker and \$5 for the best essay, will be awarded. Those chosen to compete in the next contest were: Seniors—Ray Chapman, Sara Swett, Helen Chapman; juniors—Merton Sumner, Carrie Clifford, Mae Field, sophomores—Rizpah Katherine Morton, Myron Farnam, Helen M. Porter; freshmen—Rose A. Murphy, Gladys I. Bonney, Evangeline Frances Swett. The judges were: Rev. Mr. Chesboro, Florence M. Jewett, Mrs. Howard A. Clifford. Honorable mention was made of several of the speakers.

Mrs. Jacob Nichols is quite ill at her residence on Porter street.

Miss Lisbeth Murphy closes her school this week in the Forbes district.

There are twenty-two prisoners in the county jail.

Harry M. Wheeler of Harvard College of the class of '05 attended the Inaugural services at Washington, March 4. His expenses were paid by the Harvard Republican Club of which he is president.

Wheeler is a brother of Alton C. Wheeler, Esq., and a son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Wheeler.

The annual fair for the benefit of the Good Cheer Society of the Universalist church and called the Good Cheer Bazaar was opened Wednesday Mar. 1 in New Hall. The weather was fine and the Bazaar was generously patronized by South Paris, Paris Hill and Norway people. The decorations of white bunting were relieved in places by evergreen and scarlet poppies. At the right of the hall entrance was the ice cream and food table, just beyond this was the apron table. The art table was loaded with pictures and oil paintings, and the handkerchief table was also well stocked. Next the stage stood Rajah, the elephant. The next booth was the household booth which was loaded with everything used in a house. The candy table and the punch table where fruit punch and refreshments were served. A star-bordered and crossed by a chain hung over the stage and by guessing the number of links in the chain one could get a barrel of flour. Mrs. Rose Needham of Norway guessed the correct number and received the barrel of flour.

Mrs. E. N. Anderson guessed the correct number of beans in a jar and received a nice rug which was donated by Atherton Furniture Co. of Lewiston. About two hundred were served at supper at Good Cheer Hall, Wednesday evening. After supper the guests returned to the Bazaar where an orchestra of six pieces, and the piano rendered several selections. There was also a drill by twelve young ladies. The fair was continued Thursday afternoon until four p.m. when the hall was cleared and the seats were arranged for the drama, Hazel Adams. Following is the cast of characters:

John Adams—A rich southerner. Albert D. Park Mrs. Adams—His wife. Mrs. J. J. Emily Hazel Adams—The adopted daughter. John Adams—His son. George Beatty—Hazel's lover. Harold T. Thayer Basil Northcote—An impostor. Carl Tubbs. More—A colored singer. Harold Fisher. Joe—His friend. Fred Hall. Chas. Mrs. John Burbank.

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No one should confound Hyomel with the patent medicines that are advertised to cure catarrh. It is as far superior to them all as the diamond is more valuable than cheap glass. Their composition is secret, but Hyomel gives its formula to all reputable physicians.

Its base is the valuable eucalyptus oil, famous for its antiseptic qualities. This is combined with aromatic and healing gums and balsams, making a pure liquid, which when used in the Hyomel pocket inhaler, fills the air you breathe with germ-killing, disease-destrorying and healing powers that kills all catarrhal germs there may be in the throat, nose and lungs.

How foolish it is to try and cure catarrh by swallowing tablets or liquids. The only natural way to cure this disease and all other diseases of the respiratory organs is to breathe Hyomel.

This treatment has been so successful, curing 99 per cent. of all who have used it, that Hyomel is now sold by G. R. Wiley under an absolute guarantee to refund the money if it does not cure. You run no risk whatever in buying Hyomel. If it did not possess unusual powers to cure, it could not be sold upon this plan.

The complete Hyomel outfit costs \$1.00 and comprises an inhaler, a bottle of Hyomel and a dropper. The inhaler will last a lifetime; and additional bottles of Hyomel can be obtained for 50 cents.

Early Rise

ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

The reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dunham on Saturday evening was largely attended by friends from Bethel, Mason, Greenwood and Albany. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all; a treat of peanuts, candy and pop corn was served. Music was furnished by Cecil Kimball, violin and Harry McVally, piano. They received many presents consisting of household linen, gold lined silver ware, china and glass. The L. R. T. Club, of which Mrs. Dunham is a valued member, presented a willow rocker; Nathalie Barker a sofa pillow.

Mrs. Fred Skinner is sick and under the doctors' care.

Mrs. Martha Kimball has finished work for Leslie Kimball.

Mrs. Adelbert Bryant (Julia Kimball) formerly of Albany now of Lowell, Mass., is in a Boston Hospital for treatment.

Mind Becker has returned to Kineo.

Fannie Barker and Nellie Coburn visited Mrs. C. G. Becker last Saturday.

Cured Hemorrhages of the Lungs.

"Several years since my lungs were so badly affected that I had many hemorrhages," writes A. M. Wood, Ind. "I took treatment with several physicians without any benefit. I then started to take Foley's Honey and Tar, and my lungs are now sound as a bell. I recommend it in advanced stages of lung trouble." Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough and heals the lungs, and prevents serious results from a cold. Refuse substitutes.

BRYANT POND.

Mrs. and Mrs. Kilborn Perham are home again after a two months' visit with their children in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Q. Perham, went to Washington, D. C., to attend the inauguration ceremonies last week. Miss Jane Crooker is their housekeeper while they are away.

Mr. Elbridge Crooker was quite sick last week.

Mrs. Eugene Clark has returned from Freeport.

Mrs. J. E. Reed, of West Paris, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ryeley, recently; she also called on Mrs. Jennie Lurvey.

Mr. John Sylvester, formerly of this town, died at his home in Rumford a few days ago. He left a wife and two children.

Mrs. Arthur Besse has gone to Sumner to see her father and mother who are ill.

GILEAD.

Mr. Octavus Cole is very sick.

Mrs. John Newell is on the sick list.

Henry Warren Rider of Rockland has moved into J. W. Bennett's Tavern.

Miss Edith Cole is working at J. W. Bennett's Tavern.

The Grange met Friday night and after opening and closing the friends were invited in for a social. A few were down from Shelburne, N. H. Light refreshment were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Saunders of Hanover were in town to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Barker S. Burbank.

Mr. J. E. Richardson went to Bethel Friday.

Mr. G. L. G. went to Bethel, Monday on business.

At a Destructive Fire.

To draw the fire out of a burn, or head, without leaving a scar, use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A specific for piles. Get the genuine J. L. Tucker, editor of the Harmonizer, Center, Ala., writes: "I have used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve in my family for Piles, cuts and burns. It is the best salve on the market. Every family should keep it on hand." Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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Sick kidneys cause a weak, lame or aching back, and a weak back makes a weak man. Can't be well and strong until the kidneys are cured. Treat them with Doan's Kidney Pills. Here's the testimony of one man cured.



J. B. CORTON.

I could have raised ten pounds of weight from the ground, the pain was so severe. This was my condition when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. They quickly relieved me and now I am never troubled as I was. My back is strong and I can walk or ride a long distance and feel just as strong as I did twenty-five years ago. I think so much of Doan's Kidney Pills that I have given a supply of the remedy to some of my neighbors and they have also found good results. If you can sift anything from this rambling note that will be of any service to you, or to any one suffering from kidney trouble, you are at liberty to do so.

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Corton will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

No Cause for Worry.

Clara—What do you think of Stella's escapade?

Maude—Why, what did she do?

Clara—She eloped with her father's coachman last night.

Maude—Well, her future is assured.

Clara—In what way?

Maude—He has a stable income.

UNHEALTHY.



Handsome Higginson—Walkin's said ter be good for a feller, but me brudder Bill didn't find it so.

Empty Edwards—How's dat?

Handsome Higginson—Why, he waiked in front of an automobile an' now he's in de hospital.

Made a Slight Mistake.

"Mr. Deeply," said the hostess, "won't you oblige us with one more song?"

"Oh, really," replied the eminent basso, "the hour is so late I'm afraid my singing will disturb the neighbors."

"Never mind that. They're got a dog whose howling disturbs us at night, too."—Philadelphia Press.

Ready for a Change.

Smith—I'm afraid it will be useless to ask Homer to join our club.

Jones—Why do you think so?

Smith—He's a married man.

Jones—Oh, that's all right; he has been married more than six months.

Foretells Happier Days.

While the baggage man at the Kansas City Union depot was in the act of throwing a trunk the other day it exploded, wounding several persons. All great reforms, however, begin with bloodshed.—Chicago Tribune.

Boisterous.

There was once a pair of young beaux who sported the loudest of cleaus, and the noise that they made put the sea in the shade.

By the sound of the serge, I suppose.—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

Didn't Want to Talk Shop.

Accepted Suitor: "And now, dear, about the ring. What kind do—"

She (a telephone girl): Oh, mercv, me, let's don't talk shop!"

Time for Disappearing.

He never told his love, for when the fatal words he would have said Her father from above yelled down—

And the young man quickly fled.

The Colonel's Waterloo.

Colonel John M. Fuller of Honey Grove, Texas, nearly met his Waterloo, from Liver and Kidney trouble. In a recent letter, he says: "I was nearly dead, of these complaints, and, although I tried my family doctor, he did me no good; so I got a 50c bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider them the best medicine on earth, and thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold and guaranteed to cure Dyspepsia, Biliousness and Kidney Disease, by all druggists, at 50c a bottle.

QUEER JAP CUSTOMS.

A Storekeeper Who Wears Nothing He Does Not Sell Himself.

Japanese ladies have been known to do without stockings to maintain the harmony between beautiful French slippers and magnificent French evening dresses. I have been served by a Japanese hostess who did without everything he did not supply himself—he had a shirt, a collar and tie, and scarfpin and studs, but no trousers. And the effect of their absence was heightened by his wearing braces, because he sold them. The Japanese do not kiss. If a Japanese girl knows how to kiss it shows the work of a foreign instructor; she does it as an accomplishment, not as an enjoyment. The Japanese have no pens and ink, but they make a very good shift with a painting brush. The Japanese houses have no chimneys, and you are never warm enough until the house catches fire. The Japanese have beef and no mutton. Japanese bells, like Japanese belles, have no tongues. Japanese snakes have no poison. Japanese music has no harmony. The Japanese alphabet is not an alphabet, but a selection of seventy useful ideograms to dispense with the 30,000 in ordinary use by the Chinese.

POINTS ABOUT PEOPLE.

There does not seem to be much "graft" in Australia. All its public men who have died in recent years died poor. The late Sir George Dibbs, whose will was probated recently, left about \$10,000.

The most costly miter in the United States, a miter which represents \$10,000 worth of jewels and precious stones, is worn by Bishop Horstmann of the Cleveland diocese of the Roman Catholic church.

In Tilsit, Prussia, a man who had used a derogatory expression about the Kaiser was denounced to the police by his fellow workmen and has been sent to prison for two months.

King Frederick Augustus of Saxony, on his accession to the throne proclaimed an amnesty for all minor offenses except that of cruelty to animals.

The Advance of Wealth.

The advance in the standard of wealth in the last century is recognized by all as something formidable. In the writer's boyhood Thomas Cushing was the only man in Boston or its vicinity who was suspected of being a millionaire; and even in his case some regarded such wealth as incredible. He was an essentially modest, retiring man and said to a lady of my acquaintance who ventured to reproach him for having holes in his shoes that he knew no real advantage of wealth except to be able to wear one's old shoes without criticism. But what is a million dollars to-day? To the eyes of many it represents economy, almost poverty; at any rate, a step towards the almshouse. John Jacob Astor was said to be worth \$20,000,000 and that was such a colossal fortune people had again to alter their standard of figures in arithmetic. After this Commodore Vanderbilt's \$40,000,000 seemed a big step, and the next Vanderbilt's \$200,000,000 were not so wholly startling. Yet men looked with commiseration on the division of this last fortune by his published will. Sixty millions to each of two sons and the rest of the family cut off with \$10,000,000 apiece. Men felt like taking up a contribution in the churches. Yet what seems even these wonders compared with the personal wealth of the present day?—The Atlantic.

The Heir-Presumptive.

Heir-presumptive is a name given to a person whose right to inherit an estate is indefeasible, in case he survives and no nearer relative is born. Thus the Princess Royal (eldest daughter of Queen Victoria) was heir-presumptive to the crown of England until the birth of the prince of Wales. Webster's dictionary defines an heir-presumptive as "One who, if the ancestor should die immediately, would be his heir, but whose right to the inheritance may be defeated by the birth of a nearer relative, or by some other contingency."

The heir-apparent is the name given to a person whose right to inherit an estate is beyond question, if he survive the ancestor.

A Goat Story.

A well-known suburbanite who had been greatly troubled by the depredations of a neighbor's goat was driven to desperation one day, when he learned that the animal had consumed a favorite red flannel golf coat of his. Determined on the goat's destruction he employed an unscrupulous small boy who lived in the neighborhood to secure him to the railroad track just before the daily express was due. Some days afterward a friend inquired with interest if the goat had been effectually disposed of.

"Not on your life," was the disgusted answer; "that goat has a charmed life. He coughed up that red golf coat of mine and flagged the train."—Harper's Weekly.

An Actor's Statistics.

A well-known French actor has just finish his memoirs with the following startling statistics: "I played in 98 towns, 3,808 evenings in 371 pieces, and in 455 different roles. I was married 1,721 times on the stage. I died 1,120 times, and in many styles. For example, I was stabbed 61 times; I was shot 51 times; I was drowned 2 times; I was poisoned 166 times; I had my skull smashed 86 times; I ruptured blood vessels 192 times; I was decapitated 31 times; I was assassinated 109 times; I was executed 88 times; I committed suicide 314 times, and I died a natural death 55 times."—Exchange.



AN IMPRESSION.

January's made for work, an' February, too.

Comes round to-give de folks a chance to show what dey kin do.

Dar's Christmas an' Thanksgiving Day a scatterin' through de year.

An' spring to stant you singin' 'cause de sky is bright an' clear.

Mos' every month dat comes along some special work will show.

Exceptin' one. Dat's August. Den de world moves kind of slow.

You feels like loafin' from de dawn until de shadows fall.

It 'pears like August wasn't made for anything at all.

It gives de ol' thermometer a second chance to climb;

It jes' slips in between de fireworks an' de reedbird time.

De sleepy days is noddin' like de branches of de trees

Dat's bendin' whah de clover is invitin' in de bees.

When folks divided up de year, I reckon it was found

Dey had mo' sunshine dan dey really needed to go round.

Dey found some extra time dat somehow didn't fit in pat.

So dey rolled it up togedder an' made August out o' dat.

—Washington Star.

HIS IDEA.



She: "What is a flirtation?"

He: "Attention without intention."

One Idea of Opposites.

"I have studied the matter, and it seems to me that we are fitted for each other."

She gazed up at him with her large dark eyes.

"Explain yourself," she said.

"Simply this," he replied, "looking at the matter as we should, in the strictly scientific sense of the word. You are light and I am dark. You are short and I am tall. You are sprightly, vivacious. I am somewhat sober and phlegmatic. In fact we are opposites, and opposites should marry."

"Yes," she said. "Opposites except in one respect, but that is enough. I cannot marry you."

"In what respect do you mean?" he asked, almost fiercely.

She smiled.

"You are like me in this," she said; "I could never earn my own living."—Life.

Took the Hint.

A Washington politician tells this story on a friend who is famous for the "whoppers" he is in the habit of telling. This man's brother, it appears, finally remonstrated with the raconteur, and warned him that the next time he overheard him enlarging on facts he would remind him of it in an unmistakable way. His opportunity came at a dinner at which they were both present. The story teller, who sat beside his brother at the table, was describing a remarkable stable which a friend of his had just built.

"Why," he was saying, "It's simply huge—at least 1,000 feet long, 100 feet high—ouch!" (reaching down and rubbing his shin)—"and three feet wide."—Harper's Weekly.

Outspoken at Any Rate.

Miss Plain: "I'll never board at a farmhouse again. I wish you'd light the lamp, Sarah. I'm afraid of the dark."

Sarah (the farmer's daughter): "Are you, now? Why, I should think you'd be more afraid of the light."—Chattanooga News.

His Vacation.

"What did you do while you were away on your vacation?"

"Sat around while my wife was dressing for meals most of the time."—Brooklyn News.

Dense Silence.

That money talks, quite freely, too. You probably have heard; But there are some to whom it never said a word. —Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Very Feeble.

"I told Uncle Simon that he was getting too old and feeble to attend to business."

"Did he take it kindly?"

"He threw me out of his office."—Vanity Fair.

Indefinite.

"Getting any bites?" asked the inquisitive person of the lone fisherman.

"What kind of bites?" queried the fisherman.

"Fish, snake or mosquito?"

Indigestion Causes Catarrh of the Stomach.

For many years it has been supposed that Catarrh of the Stomach caused indigestion and dyspepsia, but the truth is exactly the opposite. Indigestion causes catarrh. Repeated attacks of indigestion inflame the mucous membranes lining the stomach and expose the nerves of the stomach, thus causing the glands to secrete much instead of the juices of natural digestion. This is called Catarrh of the Stomach.

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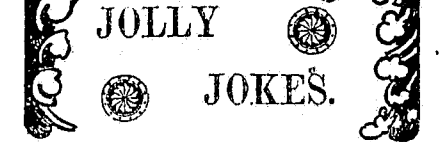
relieves all inflammation of the mucous membranes lining the stomach, protects the nerves, and cures bad breath, sour risings, a sense of fullness after eating, indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.

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HE SAW THE HEADLIGHT.

"I got into a town in Pennsylvania last fall where everybody rode a bike," said the New York drummer, "and there was no law to make them light up at night. I had business out in the evening and the landlord said I had better take a lantern along. I did so, and I was walking in the middle of the road when an old man came riding plump into me and knocked me into the ditch.

"You blamed fool, but are you blind?" I yelled at him, as I sat up.

"Not by a durned sight," he replied.

"Then you must have seen my light?"

"Of course I did."

"Then why did you bump into me?"

"Because I thought it was o' them durned locomotives from the railroad travelin' around on the street, and I wanted it to know that I wouldn't take a bluff!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Living Upon Kisses.

Brown: "Lovett and his bride went to New York for their honeymoon."

Towne: "Why, he told me they were going on a European trip."

Brown: "That's just his bluff. He meant they were going to stop at a European plan hotel on the trip, because they were too much in love to think about meals at all."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Now They Don't Speak.

Edyth: "You had better look out for a proposal from Percy Featherbrain."

Mayme: "Why, has he said anything to indicate his preference for me?"

Edyth: "Oh, no; but he proposed to me last night, and when I refused him he threatened to do something desperate."—Columbus Dispatch.

The Real Thing.

"Then your husband won't give up his club?" queried the friend.

"No," replied the patient young wife, "and I don't propose to give up mine."

"The idea! I didn't know you had one."

"Neither does he, but the next time he comes home late from his I'll be on hand with mine."—Philadelphia Press.

SNAKE FOUGHT A BEAR.

Tattoo Man and Yankee Whistler Went to the Rescue.

One of the side tents of a show on the common, in Athol, was the scene of an exciting encounter between George, the rocky mountain bear, and the monster boa constrictor, Admiral Miss May Cole, the snake charmer, was feeding her pets, when the bear attempted to interfere, whereupon the snake resented it by winding itself about the bear. The hissing of the snake and the growls of the bear startled the occupants of the tents.

Miss Cole, in attempting to separate the combatants, was bitten on the arm by the snake. Her arm was dressed by a physician and it is thought no serious results will follow.

Sig. Royal, the keeper of the bear, Capt. Kuhn, the tattoo man, and Walker Derby, the Yankee whistler, all took a hand in separating the bear and snake and rescuing Miss Cole.

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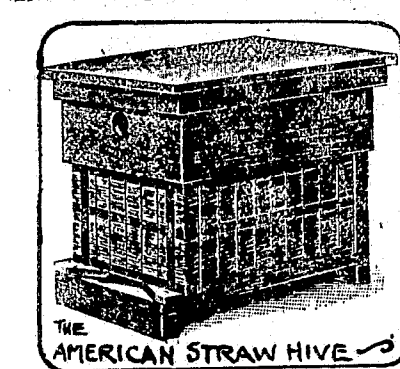
BEE KEEPING

CARE OF BEES IN WINTER.

Cold and Dampness are Liable Wrought Great Damage.

Cold and dampness are the great winter enemies of bee life. A single bee can withstand very little cold, but a good cluster, if all other conditions are favorable, can defy the most rigorous winters of our coldest States.

The problem is: To retain warmth generated by the bees, which is necessary to their well-being, at the same time to prevent the accumulation of moisture in the hive. A simple opening at the top of the hive would permit much of the moisture to pass off, but of course it would escape with it and a dry would be produced. Absorbent material about the cluster creates without free ventilation damp surroundings, and again the temperature lowered. It is only necessary, however, to surround the bees with a material to protect them from the greatest cold liable to occur, and to take care also that the enveloping material is of such a nature and so disposed as to permit the free passage of the moisture which would otherwise collect in the interior of the hive, and to permit the escape into the surrounding atmosphere of such moisture as enters this material from within. This packing should also be fully protected from outside moisture.



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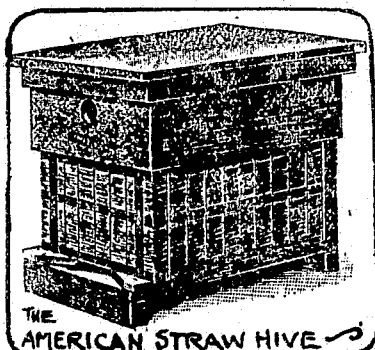
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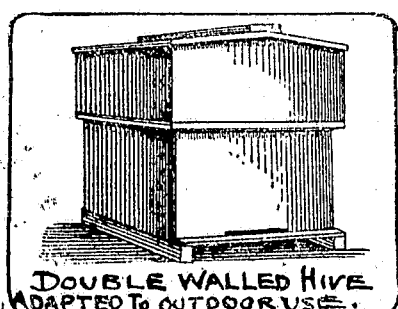
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Single-walled hives may be employed in most localities with good success in outdoor wintering. On the approach of the cool or rainy season a close-fitting quilt should be laid over the frames and several folded newspapers pressed down on this, or a cushion filled with dry chaff or some other soft material may be used instead of paper. The cover or roof should be absolutely rain-proof, yet between this cover and the cushion or papers should be several inches of space with free circulation of air. In order to permit this ventilation above the top packing the cover should not rest upon the cap or upper story all of the way around, or if it does, an auger hole in each end, protected by wire cloth against the entrance of mice, should give free passage to the air. In the more northern portion of the country some further protection is advisable, and is really necessary in the mountainous parts of the same territory if the best results are to be



DOUBLE WALLED HIVE ADAPTED TO OUTDOOR USE.

obtained. Farther north and especially in the cold Northwest much greater protection becomes an absolute necessity. Quilts with newspapers or thin packing above do not alone suffice. The side walls of the hive may be made of pressed straw. These, with top packing, if kept dry outside, are excellent for outdoor wintering, even in climates so cold that ordinary wooden hives do not afford sufficient protection.

Profit and Pleasure With Bees.

"Shall I keep bees?" is a question that every young farmer, or other person outside of cities, may properly ask himself. There are vast quantities of nectar going to waste in both wild and cultivated plants. Shall he attempt to save a share of it? The answer to this should largely depend upon whether he likes honey. If fond of honey, he will probably give to his bees the attention they require. If indifferent to this form of sweetness, his bee-keeping is not likely to be successful, unless the hope of profit by the sale of honey may stimulate to giving the needed care. The labor required is not great, but it must be given at the proper time. If one is in doubt as to whether he shall keep bees, he should procure one of the several standard works on the subject, and study it. If he has the tastes of a naturalist, he will see that a new and most interesting field is presented, and that honey and wax are not the only returns the bees make to those who observe them properly. All experienced apiarists advise beginning on a small scale. The care of a single colony and its increase, the first year, will give all the instruction needed to qualify one to conduct a larger apiary. There are probably few, if any, localities in this country that are overstocked with bees, and the cultivation of honey plants has become necessary for the sake of their nectar alone.

If you are not prepared properly to care for winter lambs, keep the buck away from the ewe flock until such time as will bring lambs in warmer weather.

Cull out and sell off every old sheep on the farm, if you have not already done so, as it seldom pays to keep a ewe after she is five or six years old.

ALL SICK WOMEN

SHOULD READ MRS. FOX'S LETTER

In All Parts of the United States Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Has Effected Similar Cures.

Many wonderful cures of female ills are continually coming to light which have been brought about by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and



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Evolution of the Chick.

One of the best means of studying embryology is the egg of the fowl—a new breed will do.

The incubator has scarcely gone on its hatching career, or the hen has scarcely set on her eggs twelve hours, before some lineaments of the head and body of the chicken appear. The heart may be seen to beat at the end of the second day. It has at this time somewhat the form of a horseshoe, but no blood yet appears. At the end of two days two vesicles of blood are to be distinguished, the pulsation of which is very visible. One of these is the left ventricle, and the other the root of the great artery. At the fifth hour an auricle of the heart appears, resembling a noose folded down upon itself. The beating of the heart is first observed in the auricle, and afterwards in the ventricle. At the end of the seventh hour the wings are distinguishable; and on the head, two bubbles are seen for the fore and hind parts of the head. Towards the end of four days the two auricles, already visible, draw nearer to the heart than before. The liver appears toward the fifth day. At the end of 131 hours, the first voluntary motion is observed. At the end of seven hours more the lungs and stomach become visible, and four hours later the intestines, the loins and the inner jaw.

At the one hundred and forty-fourth hour, two ventricles are visible and two drops of blood, instead of the single one as seen before. The seventh day the brain begins to have some consistency. At the one hundred and nineteenth hour of incubation the bill opens and the flesh appears on the breast. In four hours more the breastbone is seen. In six hours after this the ribs appear, forming from the back, and the bill is very visible as well as the ball bladder. The bill becomes green at the end of 236 hours; and, if the chicken be taken out of its covering, it evidently moves itself. The feathers begin to shoot out toward the two hundred and fortieth hour, and the skull becomes gristly. At the two hundred and sixty-fourth hour the eyes appear. At the two hundred and eighty-eight hours the ribs are perfect. At the three hundred and thirty-first, the spleen draws near to the stomach and the lungs to the chest. At the end of three hundred and fifty-five hours, the bill frequently opens and shuts, and at the end of the eighteenth day the first chirp of the chick is heard—Wilcox Review.

Using Colony Houses.

Colony houses, without attached yards are of use to give the bees absolute freedom whereby they find much in the way of food that is of necessity lacking among birds kept in close confinement.

Not a Bad Idea.

Little Willie—Say, pa, is the pen mightier than the sword?
Pa—So some people claim, my son. Little Willie—Then why don't the Russians arm themselves with fountain pens?

Easy, When You Know How.

"It's certainly hard for a young man to get ahead in the world these days."
"Not at all! I can show you a saloon where you are sure to get a head after the third drink!"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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"I thought you said you had a gold mine in that play of yours."
"I had," said Mr. Stormington Barnes, "but it was one of the kind that sells stock and never pays any dividends."

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Mrs. Bacon—I see there are 30,000 dry goods stores in the United States.

Mr. Bacon—I'll just write that down, dear. It may be of some help to me when you want me to match the next piece of worsted for you.

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Susan—He must be, dear. Any one could see what your answer would be.

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A household necessity—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals, burns, cuts, wounds of any sort; cures sore throat, croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.

After a girl has celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of her birth she stops seeking an ideal husband and begins to look around for a real one.

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A well known millionaire was saying to his confidential clerk one day. "Now I've arranged those papers for my wife and children all right, so that if I die"—

"If you die?" interrupted the secretary. "Say when you die; there's no if about dying."

Hives are a terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

When a man's wife agrees with him in everything he begins to wonder how much the new dress is going to cost.

If taken this month, keeps you well all summer. It makes the little ones eat, sleep and grow. A spring tonic for the whole family. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.

G. R. WILEY.

"Say, ma," asked little Willie after he had been in conjunction with the parental slipper, "did anybody besides pa ever ask you to be his wife?"

"Oh, yes; I had lots of proposals before your father came along."

"Well, do you think you gained anything by waiting?"

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Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-worked in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

The Metropolitan Plate Glass and Casualty Insurance Co. of N. Y.
47 Cedar Street, New York City.
Assets, December 31, 1904.

Stocks and Bonds,	\$530,750 00
Cash in Office and Bank,	42,105 87
Agents' Balances,	71,567 87
Cash in Office and Bank,	4,145 80
Interest and Rents,	3,002 05
All other Assets,	

Gross Assets,	\$652,281 59
Deduct Items not Admitted,	2,055 05

Admitted Assets,	\$650,176 54
Liabilities, December 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 9,236 24
Unearned Premiums,	209,329 16
All other Liabilities,	30,170 94
Cash Capital,	200,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	201,440 20

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$650,176 54
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G40 L. H. VEILLEAUX, Agent, Rumford Falls, Oxford County, Me.

The Home Insurance Co., New York.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 1,593,892 06
Mortgage Loans,	\$1,700 00
Stocks and Bonds,	15,000,260 00
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,042,689 43
Agents' Balances,	1,096,802 41
Bills Receivable,	277 13
Interest and Rents,	1,708 50
All other Assets,	

Gross Assets,	\$19,417,320 53
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Admitted Assets,	\$19,417,320 53
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 976,171 49
Unearned Premiums,	7,210,506 00
Reserve for Taxes,	75,000 00
All other Liabilities,	779, 270 81
Cash Capital,	3,000,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	7,370,321 23

Total liabilities and surplus,	\$19,417,320 53
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FREELAND HOWE, Agent, G40 Norway, Oxford County, Me.

The Franklin Fire Insurance Company of Philadelphia, Penn.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 228,000
Mortgage Loans,	80,548
Stocks and Bonds,	2,477,130
Cash in Office and Bank,	119,760 31
Agents' Balances,	123,445 03
Interest and Rents,	1,208 22
All other Assets,	

Gross Assets,	\$3,029,092 40
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Admitted Assets,	\$3,029,092 40
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 69,741 26
Unearned Premiums,	1,604,141 88
All other Liabilities,	30,021 32
Cash Capital,	400,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities,	925,188

Total liabilities and surplus,	\$3,029,092 40
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W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents, G40 South Paris, Oxford County, Me.

The American Fire Insurance Co., PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Assets December 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 356,217 44
Mortgage Loans,	729,483 46
Collateral Loans,	1,450 00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,878,007 17
Cash in Office and Bank,	131,854 40
Agents' Balances,	214,680 50
Interest and Rents,	16,079 74
All other Assets,	18,000 00
All other Assets,	

Gross Assets,	2,838,795 80
Admitted Assets,	2,838,795 80

Liabilities December 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 183,581 81
Unearned Premiums,	1,082,556 59
Cash Capital,	500,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	222,677 40

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$2,838,792 80
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Hartford Fire Insurance Company.
Assets Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 946,500
Mortgage Loans,	696,794
Collateral Loans,	4,800
Stocks and Bonds,	10,780,799 05
Cash in Office and Bank,	807,426 43
Agents' Balances,	1,219,835 84
Interest and Rents,	11,621 87
All other Assets,	41,168 56
Gross Assets,	\$14,511,942 75
Deduct items not admitted,	1,704 41

Admitted Assets,	\$14,510,238 34
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 711,635 94
Unearned Premiums,	9,051,314 13
Cash Capital,	1,250,000
Surplus over all liabilities,	3,497,288 27

Total liabilities and surplus,	\$14,510,238 34
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FREELAND HOWE, Agent, H40 Norway, Maine.

United States Casualty Company.
141 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY.
Assets December 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 5,000.00
Mortgage Loans,	5,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,608,602.75
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,608,602.75
Agents' Balances,	978.62
Interest and Rents,	13,813.58
All other Assets,	89,447.67
Gross Assets,	\$1,759,678.89
Deduct Items not Admitted,	979.62

Admitted Assets,	\$1,758,699.27
Liabilities December 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 132,042.00
Unearned Premiums,	116,002.00
All other Liabilities,	300,000.00
Cash Capital,	700,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	700,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,758,699.27
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40 G FREELAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Maine.

United States Branch Sun Insurance Office
of LONDON, ENGLAND.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 261,000.00
Mortgage Loans,	50,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	2,470,207.75
Cash in Office and Bank,	266,246.74
Agents' Balances,	310,303.99
Interest and Rents,	28,590.58
All other Assets,	

Gross Assets,	\$3,195,449.06
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Admitted Assets,	\$3,195,449.06
Liabilities December 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 102,278.05
Unearned Premiums,	1,906,502.03
All other Liabilities,	11,285.01
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,084,383.97

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$3,195,449.06
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FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 40 G Norway, Maine.

Northern Assurance Company.
LONDON, ENGLAND.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate,	\$ 165,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	3,118,541.56
Cash in Office and Bank,	191,160.26
Agents' Balances,	602,422.79
Bills Receivable,	16,798.08
Interest and Rents,	7,085.27
All other Assets,	2,273.53
Gross Assets,	\$4,083,880.56
Deduct items not Admitted,	\$80,770.90

Admitted Assets,	\$4,003,113.66
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$243,970.60
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,066,466.27
All other Liabilities,	\$202,948.51
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,509,730.56
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$4,003,113.66

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 40 G Norway, Maine.

United States Branch, Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society.
NORWICH, ENGLAND.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Mortgage Loans,	\$ 40,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	2,106,794.75
Cash in Office and Bank,	347,482.06
Agents' Balances,	242,339.27
Interest and Rents,	23,757.61
All other Assets,	76.07
Gross Assets,	\$2,760,450.68
Deduct items not admitted,	\$,050.81

Admitted Assets,	\$2,759,399.87
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 178,243.69
Unearned Premiums,	1,649,524.27
All other Liabilities,	29,653.04
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$94,980.77

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$2,759,399.87
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The genuine
FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR is in
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Prepared only by
Foley & Company, Chicago.

The United Firemen's Insurance Co.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Assets Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$74,532.24
Mortgage Loans, 356,084.00
Collateral Loans, 2,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 1,077,215.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 87,869.15
Agents' Balances, 52,982.03
Interest and Rents, 77,710.45
All other Assets, 2,978.15

Gross Assets, \$1,661,412.92
Deduct items not admitted, 3,671.04
Admitted Assets, \$1,657,741.88
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, 32,121.66
Unearned Premiums, 1,521,113.58
All other Liabilities, 1,571.43
Cash Capital, 300,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 163,995.99
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,657,741.88
Wm. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
South Paris, Maine.

New Amsterdam Casualty Co.,

74, 76, 78 William St., New York City.

Assets, December 31, 1904.

Stocks and Bonds, \$648,125.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 2,869.99
Agents' Balances, 1,133.30
Interest and Rents, 70,996.08
All other Assets, 2,978.15

Gross Assets, \$825,125.00
Deduct items not admitted, 2,978.15
Admitted Assets, \$822,146.85
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$65,118.18
Unearned Premiums, 1,521,113.58
All other Liabilities, 1,571.43
Cash Capital, 300,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 163,995.99
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$822,146.85
ERNEST E. CROSS, Agent,
Bethel, Maine.

Orient Insurance Company.

HARTFORD, CONN.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$69,893.57
Mortgage Loans, 1,740,000.00
Collateral Loans, 250,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 30,627.13
Cash in Office and Bank, 60,323.08
Agents' Balances, 6,241.61
Interest and Rents, 19,354.77
All other Assets, 1,935.47

Gross Assets, \$2,278,642.55
Deduct items not admitted, 5,956.72
Admitted Assets, \$2,272,685.83
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$115,817.95
Unearned Premiums, 958,754.31
All other Liabilities, 5,166.04
Cash Capital, 300,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 692,957.53
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,272,685.83
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents, So. Paris,
ARTHUR L. LUCE, Agent, Bethel, Maine.

American Insurance Company of Boston, Mass.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Mortgage Loans, \$32,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 336,682.23
Cash in Office and Bank, 30,627.13
Agents' Balances, 60,323.08
Interest and Rents, 6,241.61
All other Assets, 19,354.77

Gross Assets, \$684,715.17
Admitted Assets, \$684,715.17
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$35,514.99
Unearned Premiums, 277,753.49
All other Liabilities, 7,654.68
Cash Capital, 300,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 64,372.10
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$684,715.17
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Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, cures
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Best Remedy for Constipation.

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Sample package FREE. Address, The Mother Gray
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cuffs if you choose; satisfaction guar-
anteed.

L. A. HALL, Agent,
62 Main St., Bethel.

Maryland Casualty Company.

Of Baltimore, Md.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$254,457.14
Stocks and Bonds, 100,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 2,385,449.81
Agents' Balances, 1,133.30
Bills Receivable, 5,175.71
Interest and Rents, 1,133.30
All other Assets, 3,995.53

Gross Assets, \$3,855,312.89
Deduct items not admitted, 1,133.30
Admitted Assets, \$3,854,179.59
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Reserve for unadjusted claims, \$59,860.58
Unearned Premiums, 1,133.30
Safety Reserve, 1,133.30
Cash Capital, 750,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,859,949.10

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,854,179.59

Continental Casualty Company,

HAMMOND, IND.
Assets December 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$35,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 377,275.97
Collateral Loans, 25,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 222,865.38
Cash in Office and Bank, 151,866.40
Agents' Balances, 72,709.16
Bills Receivable, 3,481.82
Interest and Rents, 12,047.33
All other Assets, 884,611.96

Gross Assets, 1,783,858.02
Deduct items not Admitted, 96,080.78
Admitted Assets, 1,687,779.04
Liabilities December 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$149,426.00
Unearned Premiums, 943,809.69
All other Liabilities, 174,523.02
Cash Capital, 300,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 220,422.33

Total Liabilities and Sur-
plus, \$1,687,797.04

RICKER & BRIDGMAN, District Agents,
St. Main St., Auburn, Me.
J. S. MASSECK, Manager for Maine,
6 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

United States Health and Accident

Insurance Company.

SAGINAW, MICH.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Mortgage Loans, \$35,072.84
Stocks and Bonds, 308,828.70
Cash in Office and Bank, 76,837.99
Interest and Rents, 3,906.59
All other Assets, 900,508.00

Gross Assets, \$428,651.20
Admitted Assets, \$428,651.20
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,881.82
Unearned Premiums, 22,147.83
All other Liabilities, 22,544.04
Cash Capital, 200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 152,102.51

Total liabilities and sur-
plus, \$428,651.20
S. H. EATON,
Oxford, Oxford Co., Me.

New Hampshire Fire Insurance Co.,

MANCHESTER, N. H.
Assets Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$197,200.00
Mortgage Loans, 400,300.00
Collateral Loans, 25,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,363,011.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 212,650.83
Agents' Balances, 182,003.65
Bills Receivable, 7,075.57
Interest and Rents, 16,442.31

Gross Assets, \$3,911,743.34
Admitted Assets, \$3,911,743.34
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$199,532.42
Unearned Premiums, 1,478,071.01
All other Liabilities, 34,454.42
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,199,685.49

Total liabilities and surplus, \$3,911,743.34
F. FREELAND HOWE, Agent,
Norway, Maine.

German American Insurance Co.,

NEW YORK CITY.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$15,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 15,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 11,625,411.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 402,324.95
Agents' Balances, 880,676.59
Interest and Rents, 51,366.26

Gross Assets, \$12,959,808.50
Deduct items not admitted Agents' balances over three months, 9,102.97
Admitted Assets, \$12,950,705.53
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$627,067.25
Unearned Premiums, 4,713,802.04
All other Liabilities, 287,856.16
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$5,814,999.38

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,950,705.53
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
South Paris, Oxford County, Me.

The Delaware Insurance Company

of Philadelphia, PA.
Assets December 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$200,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 184,700.00
Stocks and Bonds, 1,060,347.17
Cash in Office and Bank, 87,010.57
Agents' Balances, 187,919.11
Interest and Rents, 18,126.84
All other Assets, 53,973.58

Gross Assets, \$1,674,111.23
Liabilities December 31, 1904:

Net Unpaid Losses, \$73,080.00
Unearned Premiums, 813,331.36
All other Liabilities, 28,271.27
Cash Capital, 700,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 169,749.10

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,674,111.23
C. E. TOLMAN & CO., Agents,
South Paris, Me.

Here is Relief for Women.

Mother Gray, a nurse in New York, discovered an
excellent pleasant herb drink for women's ills, called
AUSRIAN LEAF. It is the only certain
monthly regulator. Cures female weakness and
Backache, Kidney, Bladder and Urinary troubles.
At all Druggists or by mail 50c. Sample FREE.
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FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds, Prevents Pneumonia

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Miss Alice Willis who has been
visiting her sister, Mrs. A. W.
Grover, has returned to Lewiston.

Letters for the following are ad-
vertised at the postoffice:

Mr. Dana A. Bean, Jr.
Mr. Arthur Morgan.
Mr. George H. Mills.
Daniel Stoddard.

Miss Lillian Stearns was called to
Berlin, N. H., Saturday, by the ill-
ness of her brother-in-law, Mr.
Colby, who was suffering from
measles and pneumonia. He is im-
proving and his recovery seems as-
sured.

Robert G. Bisbee, Bowdoin, Me.,
has accepted a position as chemist
with the New York Agricultural Ex-
periment Station at Geneva, N. Y.
He started Saturday, expecting to
report for duty on Wednesday morn-
ing.

Mr. Melville Day of New York
City, but who is now traveling in
Europe, recently sent his check for
\$75 to the trustees of Gould's Aca-
demy to be used for the library. It
will be used to purchase a new cy-
clopedia.

Several dishes which were taken
to Garland chapel at the time of the
Academy fair are at the chapel and
cannot be returned because, not be-
ing marked, it is impossible to tell to
whom they belong. Mr. Hanscom
will have the chapel opened next
Saturday afternoon when the owners
are requested to call and identify
their dishes.

If any one has dishes belonging to
the Congregational society, will they
please return them to the chapel,
and if any one has through
mistake taken to their home dishes
belonging to other parties, will they
please return them to the chapel, or
give notice to the president of the
Ladies' Club, Mrs. Gleason.

The many Bethel friends of Misses
Boothby and Mason of Berlin, N. H.,
who sympathized with them in their
recent misfortune, will now delight
in the pluck and energy of these two
ladies. In the Tucker block fire
which occurred three weeks ago,
they sustained a dead loss of be-
tween \$1100 and \$1400, and when
the day seemed darkest they mustered
courage and will power and made
arrangements for the resumption of
business. Through the courtesy of
L. A. Dresser of the Berlin Dry
Goods Co., they are to occupy a
window and show case in the suit de-
partment of his new quarters, where
they will display their spring styles
in millinery, using room in the
Morin block as a trimming depart-
ment. Miss Boothby and her as-
sistant, Mrs. J. A. Moffett were in
Boston and New York markets last
week, and selected a complete line of
new millinery and everything that
goes to make up an up-to-date mill-
inery department. They will resume
duties March 11.

The funeral of Mr. Francis A.
Young who died at the home of his
daughter, Mrs. J. H. Barrows, was
held last Friday afternoon, the re-
mains were taken to West Paris for
interment. Mr. Young was the son
of Daniel Young, and was born in
Norway, Dec. 21, 1826. He married
Fannie E. Spaulding, and they had
a family of eight children, five of
whom are now living. He was one
of the first settlers in West Paris
village, going there in 1853, and
entering into trade. At that time
the Grand Trunk railroad had been
built only two or three years, and
there were but two or three houses
in the place. In 1854, Elijah S.
Berry was appointed the first post-
master. In 1857 Mr. Young was
appointed to that office, and with
the exception of a short time about
1860, held that position continuously
until the time of Cleveland's first
administration in 1884. He there-
fore had the unusual record of being
postmaster for about twenty-five
years. Mr. Young has been in fail-
ing health for some time. For sever-
al years he and his wife have spent
their summers at their home in West
Paris, and the winters with their
children in Bethel. This last
autumn they came here with the in-
tention of residing permanently.
He leaves a widow, two sons, Mr.
Frank Young and Mr. Bert Young,
and three daughters, Mrs. Baker and
Mrs. Brooks of Portland, and Mrs.
Barrows.

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No person between the
ages of 21 and 35 can af-
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The Ryerson Place in Bethel.
Fine Country Place in Mayville, near
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pasture, wood and timber. Cuts a good lot
of hay. In good cultivation. Large two-
story house with spacious ell and shed con-
nected, 25 rooms; 2 large barns, 40x100 and
30x75. Water in house and barn. All in
excellent repair. House has been used as
hotel by owners, but was built for private
house. Has been much improved lately.
Location is unexcelled for health, business,
home life, or summer resort. Situated in
the bend of the river, with fine view of the
mountains; fronted by broad level intervals,
backed by fine forests; first class communi-
ty.

Upon the farm is the trotting course of
the Riverside Park Association which with
all buildings, goes with the farm. One of
the most attractive and desirable places in
the State. Excellent for summer boarders.
Owner sells because the recent death of her
son renders her unable to manage place.
Price, \$10,000 on easy terms. Apply to
HERRICK & PARK,
Bethel, Me.

GRAFTON.

Miss Carrie Brooks is at Rumford.
Point visiting relatives.

Miss Bessie Searle of Newry has
been at A. F. Brooks' the past few
days.

Mr. Stanley Harte and Miss Lota
Coffin were married in Newry last
week.

Fred Taylor who has been em-
ployed in the lumbering operations
of Mr. Sturdivant in Magalloway,
has returned to his home.

Mrs. S. P. Davis, who has been
sitting for her mother, Mrs. Farrar,
for a few weeks returned to her
home in Hanover last Saturday.

The many friends of Mrs. A. F.
Brooks are pained to hear of her
death which occurred last Sunday
evening. Mrs. Brooks has been a
long and patient sufferer for many
weeks. Her going away will be a
blow to all who knew her. She was
a kind and devoted wife and mother
and in her home leaves a vacancy
which can never be filled. The re-
maining members of the family have
the sympathy of the entire communi-
ty in this hour of trouble.

Pleasant and Harmless.

Don't drug the stomach to cure
a cough. One Minute Cough Cure
cuts the mucous, draws the inflam-
mation out of the throat, lungs and
bronchial tubes, heals soothes and
cures. A quick cure for Croup and
Whooping Cough. One Minute
Cough Cure relieves a cough in
one minute because it acts first on
the mucous membrane right where
the cough troubles—in the throat
or deep-seated on the lungs. Sold
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When your ship of health strikes
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Just at the season of the year, when nearly every man is sure to
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DRESS WORSTED TROUSERS. Work Trousers.

\$4.75, \$4.50 grades, \$4.00, \$3.75, \$3.00 qualities, \$2.50

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Boys' Knee Pants now 40c., 60c., 80c.; regular price 50c., 75c., \$1.

All Winter Overcoats, Ulsters, Suits and Fur Coats Marked Down.
Our Spring Hats have made their "Debut." Come in and we'll
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Many other styles and
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